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The reply filed on March 19, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because: claims have been amended to read upon a nonelected invention. In the Response dated March 14, 2003 applicant elected without traverse the claims of Group II consisting of claims 19-33, drawn to a method for preventing or reducing the risk of developing graft-versus-host disease (GVHD). Claims drawn to the treatment of GVHD were withdrawn. Since the period for reply set forth in the prior Office action has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. In no case may an applicant reply outside the SIX (6) MONTH statutory period or obtain an extension for more than FIVE (5) MONTHS beyond the date for reply set forth in an Office action. A fully responsive reply must be timely filed to avoid abandonment of this application.

  
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